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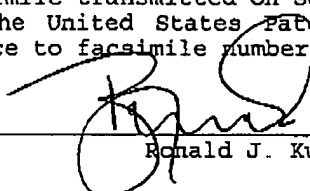
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated  
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In the Action, restriction is required between:

(I) Claims 126-132, directed to a quaternary ammonium  
salt of formula (1);

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(II) Claims 133-141, directed to a composition comprising the quaternary ammonium salt of formula (1) and an organic solvent;

(III) Claims 142-148, directed to an electrolytic solution for use in electrochemical devices which contains the quaternary ammonium salt of formula (1);

(IV) Claims 149-155, directed to an electrochemical device comprising the electrolytic solution containing the quaternary ammonium salt of formula (1);

(V) Claims 156-162, directed to a first process for preparing the quaternary ammonium salt of formula (1); and

(VI) Claims 163-169, directed to a second process for preparing the quaternary ammonium salt of formula (1).

Applicants elect the subject matter of group (I), Claims 126-132, for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse with the understanding that the applicants' rights under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 121 to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter are